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#### Lancaster Intelligencer. SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 16, 1881. any experience in such matters. BLACK ON INGERSOLL. THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION DEFENDED. Judge Jeremiah S. Black's Eloquent De-molition of the Arch-Infidel. [Concluded.] I think I have repelled all of Mr. Ingersoll's accusations against the Old Testament that are worth noticing, and I might stop here. But I will not close upon him without letting him see, at least, some part of the case on the other side. I do not enumerate in detail the positive proofs which support the authenticity

of the Hebrew Bible, though they are at hand in great abundance, because the evidence in support of the new dispensation will establish the verity of the old-the two being so connected together that if one is true the other cannot be false. When Jesus of Nazareth announced Himself to be Christ, the Son of God, in Judea, many thousand persons who heard His words and saw His works believed in His divinity without hesitation. Since the morning of the creation nothing has occurred so wonderful as the rapidity with which this religion spread abroad. Men who were in the noon of life when Jesus

was put to death as a malefactor lived to see Him worshiped as God by organized bodies of believers in every province of the Roman empire. In a few more years it took complete possession of the general mind, supplanted all other religions, and wrought a radical change in human society. It did this in the face of obstacles which, according to every human calcula-tion, were insurmountable. It was antagomzed by all the evil propensities, the sensual wickedness, and the vulgar crimes of the multitude, as well as the polished vices of the luxurious classes ; and was most violently opposed even by those sentiments and habits of thought which were esteemed virtuous, such as patriotism and military hero-ism. It encountered not only the ignorance and superstition, but the learning and philosophy, the poetry, eloquence, and art of the time. Barbarism and civilization were alike its deadly enemies. The priesthood of every established relig ion and the authority of every govern-ment were arrayed against it. All these, combined together and roused to ferocious

hostility, were overcome, not by the en-ticing words of man's wisdom, but by the simple presentation of a pure and peaceful doctrine, preached by obscure strangers at the daily peril of their lives. Is it Mr. Ingersoll's idea that this happened by by a judge who pronounced Him innocent, chance, like the creation of the world ? His patient suffering, His death on the If not, there are but two other ways to cross, and resurrection from the graveaccount for it : either the evidence by of these not the faintest contradiction

-a divine revelation?

was decided originally.

above all things.

ing death.

friends, no denunciation of enemies, no attempts at concealment. How strongly these qualities commend the testimony of a witness to the confidence of judge and jury is well known to all who have

Sixth. The statements made by the evangelists are alike upon every important

point, but are different in form and expression, some of them including details which the others omit. These variations make it perfectly certain that there could have been no previous concert between the witnesses, and that each spoke inde-pendently of the others, according to his own conscience and from his own knowledge. In considering the testimony of several witnesses to the same transaction, their substantial argeement upon the main facts, with circumstantial differences in the detail, is always regarded as the great characteristic of truth and honesty. There is no rule of evidence more universally adopted than this-none better sustained by general experience, or more immovably

fixed in the good sense of mankind. Mr. Ingersoll, himself, admits the rule and concedes its soundness. The logical consequence of that admission is that we are bound to take this evidence as incontestably true. But mark the infatuated perversity with which he seeks to evade it. He says that when we claim that the witnesses were inspired, the rule does not apply, because the witnesses then speak what is known to him who inspired them, and all must speak exactly the same, even to the minutest detail. Mr. Ingersoll's notion of an inspired witness is that he is no witness at all, but an irresponsible medium who unconsciously and involuntarily raps out or writes down whatever he is prompted to say. But this is a false assumption, not countenanced or even suggested by anything contained in the Scrip-tures. The apostles and evangelists are

expressly declared to be witnesses, in the roper sense of the word, called and sent o testify the truth according to their knowledge. If they had all told the same story in the same way, without variation, and accounted for its uniformity by declaring that they were inspired, and had spoken without knowing whether their words were true or false, where would have been their claim to credibility? But they testified what they knew; and here comes an infidel critic impugning their ter and spirit ? testimony because the impress of truth is stamped upon its face.

Seventh. It does not appear that the statements of the evangelists were ever denied by any person who pretended to know the facts. Many there were in that age and afterward who resisted the belief that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, and only Saviour of man ; but His wonderful works, the miraculous purity of His life, the unapproachable loftmess of His doctrines, His trial and condemnation

cross for the insulting enemies who nailed

Him there. The mystery of the second birth is incomprehensible. Christ established a new kingdom in the world, but not of it. Subjects were admitted to the privileges and protection of its government by a process equivalent to naturalization. To be born again, or regenerated, is to be naturalized. The words all mean the same thing. Does Mr. Ingersell want to disgrace his own intellect by pretending that he cannot see

this simple analogy ? The doctrine of the atonement is absurd, injust and immoral. The plan of salvation, or any plan for the rescue of sinners from the legal operation of Divine justice, could have been framed only in the councils of the Omniscient. Necessarily its heights and depths are not easily fathomed by finite intelligence. But the greatest, ablest. wisest and most virtuous men that ever lived have given it their profoundest con sideration, and found it to be not only authorized by revelation, but theoretically conformed to their best and highest conceptions of infinite goodness. Nevertheess here is a rash and superficial man, without training or habits of reflection, who, upon a mere glance, declares that it "must be abandoned," because it seems to him "absurd, unjust, and immoral." I would not abridge his freedom of thought or speech, and the argumentum ad cerecundiam would be lost upon him. Otherwise I might suggest- that, when he finds all authority, human and Divine, against him, he had better speak in a tone less arro

He does not conprehend how justice and ercy can be blended together in the plan of demption, and therefore it cannot be true. A thing is not necessarily false because he loes not understand it; he cannot annihilate a principle or fact by ignoring it. There are many truths in heaven and earth which no man can see through ; for nstance, the union of man's soul with his body is not only an unknowable but an unimaginable mystery. Is it therefore false that a connection does exist between mat-How, he asks, can the sufferings of an in

ocent person satisfy justice for the sins of the guilty? This raises a metaphysical question, it is not necessary- or possible for me to discuss here. As matter of fact, Christ died that sinners might be reconciled to God, and in that sense He died for them ; that is, to furnish them with the means of averting Divine justice, which their crimes had provoked.

What, he again asks, would we think of man who allowed another man to die for a crime which he himself had committed ? 1 answer that a man who, by any contrivance, causes his own offense to be visited upon the head of an innocent person is the filthy foed of a godless philosophy it unspeakably depraved. But are Chris- will get what its appetite demands. That tians guilty of this baseness because they accept the blessings of an institution which used when he called modern infidelity their great benefactor died to establish ? Loyalty to the King who has crected a most beneficent government for us at the cost of His life-tidelity to the Master who Accounts of miracle are always false. bought us with His blood-is not the fraudulent substitution of an innocent person in place of a criminal. The doctrine of non-resistance, forgiceness of injurics, reconciliation with enemies, as aught in the New Testament, is the child of weakness, degrading, and unjust. This is the whole substance of a long, rambling diatribe, as incoherent as a sick man's ca. Nobody would think of calling a wit- dream. Christianity does not forbid the necessary defense of civil society, or the proper vindication of personal rights But to cherish animosity, to thirst for mere re ordinary murder. He was master of the world, and his death was followed by a war and lie in wait for the chance of paying with the conspirators, the battle at them back; to be impatient, unforgiving, Philippi, the quarrel of the victorious malicious, and cruel to all who have crossed us-these diabolical propensities are check ed and curbed by the authority and spirit the Christian religion, and the applicaof tion of it has converted men from low savages into refined and civilized beings. The punishment of sinners in cternal hell excessive. The future of the soul is a subject on which we have very dark views. In our present state, the mind takes in no idea except what is conveyed to it through the bodily senses. All our conceptions of the spiritual world are derived from some analogy to material things, and this analogy must necessarily be very remote, because the nature of the subjects compared is so diverse that a close similarity cannot be even supposed. No revelation has lifted the veil between time and eternity; but in shadowy figures we are warned that a very marked distinction will be made between the good and the bad in the next world. Speculative opinions concerning the punish. ment of the wicked its nature and dura. tion, vary with the temper and the imaginations of men. Doubtless we are many of us in error ; but how can Mr. Ingersoll enlighten us ? Acknowledging no standard of right and wrong in this world, he can have no theory of rewards and punishments in the next. The deeds done in the body, whether good or evil, are all morally alike in his eyes, and if there be in heaven a congregation of the just, he sees no reason why the worst rogue should not be a member of it. It is supposed, however, that man has a soul as well as body, and that both are subject to certain laws, which cannot be violated without incurring the proper penalty-or consequence, if he likes that word better. If Christ was God, He knew that His followers would persecute and murder men for dence, it follows irresistibly that the gos- their opinions; yet he did not forbid it. pel has come to us from God. That si. There is but one way to deal with this pel has come to us from God. That si-lences all reasoning about the wisdom and justice of its doctrines, since it is impossi-ble even to imngine that wrong can beble even to imagine that wrong can be-done or commanded by that Sovereign only of persecution, but of all the passions which lead or incite to it. No follower of Christ indulges in malice even to his enemy without violating the plainest rule of his faith. He cannot love God and hate his brother; if he says he can, St. John pronounces him a liar. The broadest penevolence, universal philauthropy, inexhaustible charity, are inculcated in every line of the New Testament. It is plain wise that Mr. Ingersoll never read a chapter of man holidoy." In every province it; otherwise he would not have ventured paganism enacted the same cold-blooded upon this palpable talsification of its doc- l cruelties; oppression and robbery ruled trines. Who told him that the devilish j supreme ; murder went rampaging and spirit of persecution was authorized, or not forbidden, by the Gospel? The person, whoever it was, who imposed upon his trusting ignorance should be given up to the just reprobation of his fellow-citizens. Christians in modern times carry on wars of detraction and slander against one another The discussions of theological subjects by men who believe in the fundamental doctrines of Christ are singularly free from versally agreed that children too young to understand it do not need to believe it. And this exemption extends to adults who have never seen the evidence, or, from

promise to save him in spite of himself true that some persons, professing Chris. it. But to the mass of mankind, The plan of redemption contains no express covenant to pardon one who rejects principles of their faith by inflicting vio- uncounted benefits and blessings. Abolpress covenant to pardon one who rejects principles of their faith by inflicting vio-it with scorn and hatred. Our hope for lent injuries and bloody wrongs upon their ish it-take away the restraints which him rests upon the infinite compassion of fellow-men. But the perpetrators of these it imposes on evil passions-silence the that gracious Being who prayed on the outrages were in fact not Christians : they admonitions of its preachers-let all Christhat gracious Being who prayed on the outrages were in fact not Christians : they tians cease their labors of charity-blot were either hypocrites from the beginning or else base apostates-infidels or some-

out from history the records of its heroic benevolence-repeal the laws it has en-acted and the institutions it has built upthing worse-hireling wolves, whose gospel was their maw. Not one of them ever pretended to find a warrant for his conduct in any precept of Christ or any its miracles of light be extinguished. doctrine of his church. All the wrongs what would we come to? I need not of this nature which history records have answer this question : the experiment has been the work of politicians aided often by been partially tried. The French nation priests and ministers who were willing to deny their Lord and desert to the enemy for the sake of their temporal interests. Take the cases most commonly cited and pravity, garments rolled in blood, fantastic see if this be not a true account of them. The *auto da fe* of Spaln and Portugal, the burning of Smithfield, and the whipping crimes unimagined before, which startled the earth with their sublime atrocity. The

American people have and ought to have no special desire to follow that terrible of women in Massachusetts, were the outcome of a cruel, false, and antichristian policy. Coligny and his adherents were killed by an order of Charles IX., at the instance of the Guises, who headed a hosexample of guilt and misery. It is impossible to discuss this subject within the limits of a review. No doubt tile faction, and merely for reasons of the effort to be short has made me obscure state. Louis XIV. revoked the edict of If Mr. Ingersoil thinks himself wronged Nantes, and banished the Waldenses nn- or his doctrine misconstrued, let him not der pain of confiscation of death ; but this lay my fault at the door of the Church, was done on the declared ground that the or cast his censure on the clergy. victims were not safe subjects. The "Adsum qui feci, in me concertite brutal atrocities of Cromwell and the outferrum rages of the Orange lodges against the Irish Catholics were not persecutions by religious people, but movements as purely Freity Good. political as those of the Know-Nothings, Jno. Bacon, Laporte, Ind., writes :

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as attempted, if we except the false and which the apostles were able to prove the supernatural origin of the gospel was feeble story which the elders and chief overwhelming and irresistible, or else its priests bribed the guard at the tomb to propagation was provided for and carried put in circulation. Eighth. What we call the fundamental on by the direct aid of the Divine Being truths of Christianity consist of great Himself. Between these two infidelity public events which are sufficiently estabmay make its own choice.

Just here another dilemma presents its lished by history without special proof. horns to our adversary. If Christianity The value of mere historica! evidence inwas a human fabrication its authors must creases according to the importance of have been either good men or bad. It is a moral impossibility—a mere contradiction in terms—to say that good, honest and true men practiced a gross and willful de-ception upon the world. It is equally indered to Washington at Yorktown, and changed the destiny of Europe and Americredible that any combination of knaves, ness or even citing an official report to however base, would fraudulently concoct prove it. Julius Casar was assassinated a religious system to denounce themselves We do not need to prove that fact like an ordinary murder. He was master of the and to invoke the curse of God upon their own conduct. Men that love lies, love not such lies as that. Is there any way

out of this difficulty, except by confessing that Christianity is what it purports to be triumvirs, Actium, and the permanent es-The acceptance of Christianity by a tablishment of imperial government under Augustus. The life and character, large portion of the generation contemporary with its Founder and His apostles the death and resurrection, of Jesus are just as visibly connected with the events was, under the circumstances, an adjudiwhich even an infide! must admit to be of cation as solemn and authoritative as equal importance. The church rose and mortal intelligence could pronounce. The

armed herself in righteousness for conflict record of that judgment has come down with the powers of darkness ; innumer. to us, accompanied by the depositions of able multitudes of the best and wisest the principal witnesses. In the course of eighteen centuries many efforts have been rallied to her standard and died in her cause ; her enemies employed the coarse made to open the judgment or set it aside on the ground that the evidence was inand vulgar machinery of human governsufficient to support it. But on every rement against her, and her professors were hearing the wisdom and virtue of man-kind have reaffirmed it. And now comes Mr. Ingersoll to try the experiment of anworld was revolutionized and human soother bold, bitter, and fierce reargument. I will present some of the considerations ciety was transformed. The course of which would compel me, if I were a judge these events, and a thousand others, or juror in the cause, to decide it just as it which reach down to the present hour, received its first propulsion from the transcendent fact of Christ's crucifixion. First. There is no good reason to doubt that the statements of the evangelists, as Moreover, we find the memorial monuwe have them now, are genuine. The ments of the original truth planted sacra-

multiplication of copies was a sufficient all along the way. The guarantee against any material alteration ments of baptism and the the sup of the text. Mr. Ingersoll speaks of in-terpolations made by the fathers of the thor and Finisher of our faith. The mere church. All he knows and all-he has ever historical evidence is for these reasons heard on that subject is that some of the much stronger than what we have for other innumerable transcripts contained errors occurrences which are regarded as undeni-which were discovered and corrected. able. When to this is added the cumulawhich were discovered and corrected. That simply proves the present integrity of the documents. Second. I call these statements deposi-second. I call these statements depositions, because they are entitled to that proof becomes so strong that the disbelief we hear of seems like a kind of insanity. kind of credence which we give to declara tions made under oath-but in a much

" It is the very error of the moon, Which comes more near the earth than she was wont, And makes men mad !" higher degree, for they are more than sworn to. They were made in the imme diate prospect of death. Perhaps this From the tacts established by this eviwould not affect the conscience of an

atheist-neither would an oath-but these people manifestly believed in a judgment after death, before a god of truth, whose displeasure they feared Third. The witnesses could not have Being whose will alone is the nitimate

been mistaken. The nature of the facts standard of all justice. precluded the possibility of any delusion about them. For every averment they But Mr. Ingersoll is still dissatilied. He raises objections as false, fleeting and had "the sensible and true avouch of baseless as clouds, and insists that they are as stable as the mountains; whose ever-lasting foundations are laid by the hand of their own eyes " and ears. Besides, they were plain-thinking, sober, unimaginative the Almighty. I will compress his propo-sitions into plain words printed in *italies*, men, who, unlike Mr. Ingersoll, always, under all circumstances, and especially in the presence of eternity, recognized the difference between mountains and clouds. and, taking a look at his misty creations, let them roll away and vanish into air,

It is inconceivable how any fact could be one after another. proven by evidence more conclusive than Christianity offers eternal saleation as the reward of belief alone. This is a misreprethe statement of such persons, publicly given and steadfastly persisted in through sentation simple and naked. No such every kind of persecution, imprisonment, doctrine is propounded in the Scriptures, and torture to the last agonies of a lingeror in the creed of any Christian church. On the contrary, it is distinctly taught

that faith avails nothing without repen-Fourth. Apart from these terrible tests, the more ordinary claims to credibility are not wanting. They were men of un-impeachable character. The most virutance, reformation and newness of life. The more failure to believe it is punished in hell. I have never known any Christian lent enemics of the cause they spoke and man or woman to assert this. It is unidied for have never suggested a reason for doubting their personal honesty. But

was an expressive phrase which Carlyle "the gospel of dirt." Those who are greedy to swallow it will doubtless be supplied satisfactorily.

Are miracles impossible ? No one will say so who opens his eyes to the miracles of creation with which we are surrounded on every han !. You cannot even show that they are a priori improbable. God would be likely to reveal His will to the rational creature who were required to obey it; He would authenticate in some way the right of prophets and apostles to speak in His name ; supernatural power was the broad seal which He affixed to their commission. From this it follows that the improbability of a miracle is no greater than the original improbability of a revelation, and that is not improbable at all. Therefore if the miracles of the New Testament are proved by sufficient evidence, we be lieve them as we believe any other established fact. They become deniable only when it is shown that the great miracle of making the world was never performed. Accordingly Mr. Ingersoll abolishes creation first, and thus clears the way to his dogmatic conclusion that all miracles are "the children of mendacity." Christianity is pernicious in its moral ef-fect, darkens the mind, narrows the soul, arrests the progress of human society, and hinders civilization. Mr. Ingersoll, as a zealous apostle of the "gospel of dirt," must be expected to throw a good deal of mud. But this is too much ; it injures himself instead of defiling the object of his assault. When I answer that all we have of virtue, justice, intellectual libcrty, moral elevation, retinement, benevolence and true wisdom came to us from that source which he reviles as the fountain of evil, I am not merely putting one assertion against the other ; for I have the advantage, which he has not, of speaking what every tolerably well-informed man knows to be true. Reflect what kind of a world this was when the disciples of Christ undertook to reform it, and compare it with the condition in which their teachings have put it. In its mighty metropolis, the centre of its intellectual and political power, the best men were addicted to vices so debasing that I could not even allude to them without soiling the paper I write upon. All manner of unprincipled wickedness was practiced in the private life of the whole population without concealment or shame, and the magistrates were thoroughly

and universally corrupt. Benevolence in any shape was altogether- unknown. The helpless and the weak got neither justice nor mercy. There was no relief for the poor, no succor for the sick, no refuge for the unfortunate. In all pagandom there was not a hospital, asylum, almshouse or organized charity of any sort. The indifference to human life was literally frightful. The order of a successful leader to assassinate his opponents was always obeyed by his followers with the utmost alacrity and pleasure. It was a special amusement of the populace to witness the shows at which men were compelled to kill one another, to be torn in pieces by wild beasts, or other-"butchered to make a Rored over all the earth. The Church came, and her light penetrated this moral darkness like a new sun. She covered the globe with institutions of mercy, and thousands upon thousands of her disciples de-

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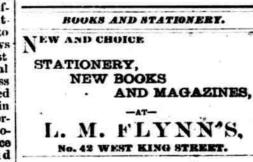
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